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April 30, 2010

To the FCC Chairman:

Julius Genachowski

Chairman

Federal Communications Commission

445 12th Street, S.W.

Washington, DC 20554

Re: MB Docket 10-56

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I am writing this letter in support of the proposed Comcast-NBC Universal joint venture. We have partnered with Comcast for the past 4 years in a variety of ways and have always found them to be a strong supporter of our organization and advocate for issues relating to youth employment. I am confident that a joint venture between Comcast and NBC Universal would only enhance their abilities to support not-for-profit organizations such as the Youth Job Center of Evanston.

Comcast has demonstrated their support in a variety of ways. Initially, they supported the YJC's summer tutors program; a program for 14-15 year olds who work as teacher assistants in Evanston School District 65's summer school program. They then provided a three year grant, totaling \$45,000, to support our Strategic Corporate Alliances program. The SCA program serves the most difficult to employ population: 18-25 year olds with one or more barrier to employment including lack of a GED, challenges with literacy, being a single parent, having a criminal record and more. SCA enrolls participants in an intense, 3-week job readiness program which teaches both hard and soft job-readiness skills. After "graduating" the three-week class, SCA clients work with a job counselor to find living wage employment with benefits. YJC job counselors continue to mentor SCA clients for up to a year after they are placed in jobs.

In addition to providing much needed financial support, Comcast has also assisted the YJC with its annual gala. Last year, a Comcast employee served on the planning committee adding a great deal to the planning process including securing our keynote speaker and several silent auction items. Comcast also has been a financial supporter of our annual event and has filled tables with Comcast employees.

Because we are a youth-serving job placement organization, Comcast has also provided us with job leads at a variety of levels. And finally, Comcast has invited YJC staff to appear on their television program, Community Matters. This provided us with an excellent opportunity to promote our organization to a wide range of viewers.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my support of the Comcast-NBC Universal joint venture and, specifically, to expound upon the support that has already been provided by Comcast. Please call or e-mail me with additional questions. Thanks, again.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kim Hoopingarner', is written over a horizontal line.

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